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ERDA FOR WEIDHUNER, DIPPOLD, EWING, LANDGREBE, AND VANDERRYN

E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: TECH, JA

SUBJECT: LOAN OF DAIHATSU ELECTRIC VEHICLE FOR BASELINE TEST BY ERDA

REF: 1) TOKYO 5906, 2) TOKYO 6475

1. IN RESPONSE TO INQUIRY OF ERDA TOKYO OFFICE, AND TO REQUEST OF ANTHONY EWING, ERDA WASHINGTON, DAIHATSU PREPARING DRAFT MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING ON USE DAIHATSU ELECTRIC VEHICLE FOR BASELINE TEST BY ERDA. DRAFT STRONGLY RELECTS FACT THAT VEHICLE COMPLETELY DEVELOPED BY DAIHATSU WITHOUT ASSITANCE OR DIRECTION FROM GOJ. CONSEQUENTLY USG HAS NO LEVERAGE WITH DAIHATSU. FOLLOWING IS GIST OF DAIHATSU'S PROPOSED DRAFT TO BE AIRMAILED TO ERDA NEXT WEEK:

A. SINCE PROTOTYPE ES40V WAS ESPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR DISPLAY AT CHICAGO EXPO. IT DOES NOT MEET FMVSS.

- B. DAIHATSU NDERDSTANDS THAT TESTS WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAE-J227A.
- C. DAIHATSU REQUESTS THAT VEHICLE NOT BE DISASSEMBLED, EXCEPT UNCLASSIFIED

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BY DAIHATSU ENGINEER, AND THAT TESTS BE COMPLETED WITHIN FOUR-WEEK PERIOD AFTER COMPLETION OF MAINTENANCE CHECKS BY DAIHATSU ENGINEER, SHORTLY AFTER WHICH RETURN OF VEHICLE IS EXPECTED.

D. DAIHATSU AGREEMENT REQUIRES THAT ERDA MAINTAIN AS PROPRIETARY TECHNICAL MATTERS SUCH AS STRUCTURAL DETAILS AND FUNCTIONS.

RELEASE TO THIRD PARTIES TO BE WITHELD UNTIL THE END OF 1978.

ADDITIONALLY, ERDA REQUESTED TO TRANSMIT RESULTS OF TESTS

TO DAIHATSU WITHOUT CHARGE. PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF DAIHATSU

PREREQUISITE FOR DISCLOSURE OF TEST RESULTS TO THIRD PARTIES.

- E. DAIHATSU WILL DISPATCH TWO ENGINEERS (AT LEAST ONE OF WHOM SPEAKS ENGLISH) TO CHECK FUNCTIONS, EXPLAIN OPERATION METHODS, INSTALL INSTRUMENTATIONS, TROUBLE SHOOT, IF NEEDED.
- F. DAIHATSU UNDERSTANDS THAT ERDA WILL PAY ALL EXPENSES FOR DAIHATSU ENGINEERS, INCLUDING TRANSPORTATION AND PER DIEM, AS WELL AS TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE OF VEHICLE AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT WHICH INCLUDES BATTERY CHARGER AND REPAIR PARTS WEIGHING ABOUT 80 KG.
- G. DAIHATSU ALSO REQUESTING FIFTY DOLLARS A DAY VEHICLE RENTAL FEE FOR THE TEST PERIOD.
- H. DAIHATSU CONTRACT INCLUDES DISCLAIMER AGAINST RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACCICENTS DURING THE TESTS AND COMPENSATION FOR DAMAGE SUFFERED BY VEHICLE DURING TESTS. END MEMORANDUM.
- 2. DAIHATSU BELIEVES DISPATCH OF TWO ENGINEERS WILL PROVIDE PROMPT AND ADEQUATE SERVICE TO ERDA. COST OF TWO ENGINEERS FOR SHORTER PERIOD PROBABLY ABOUT SAME AS ONE ENGINEER FOR TWO-MONTHS.
- 3. DAIHATSU'S ESTABLISHED TRAVEL REGULATION PROVIDES ABOUT ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS PER DIEM FOR CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES UNCLASSIFIED

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FOR NON-EXECUTIVE ENGINEER.

- 4. DAIHATSU TO PAY REGULAR SALARIES TO TWO ENGINEERS.
- 5. IF TERMS AGREEMENT ACCEPTABLE, HONDA REQUESTS FOLLOWING INFO:
- A. FULL NAME, FUNCTION, ADDRESS, PHONE AND TELEX NUMBERS OF MERADCOM. AND ALSO NAME OF CONTACT.
- B. VOLTAGE AND TYPE OF OUTLET USED AT THE TEST SITE FOR BATTERY CHARGER.
- C. DATE INITIATION TEST. DAIHATSU PREFERS EARLY JULY AND DESIRES MEMORANDUM BE SIGED BY 30 DAYS BEFORE TEST.
- D. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE CONSIGNEE OF BATTERY CHARGER AND PARTS. SHOESMITH

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